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FOLLOWING SENT NIAMEY FROM SECSTATE ON AUG 22, RPTD TO YOU:

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EAID, SWEL, NG

SUBJECT: PRESS GUIDANCE FOR ROWAN ARTICLE

REF: STATE 165912

FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF GUIDANCE PREPARED FOR DEPARTMENT
SPOKESMAN ON IF-ASKED BASIS IN RESPONSE TO ROWAN ARTICLE,
WHICH TRANSMITTED REFTEL. ROWAN DOCUMENTARY, WHICH CBS
SHOWING WEDNESDAY NIGHT COAST TO COAST, CONTAINS INTERVIEW
WITH DIORI IN WHICH HE REPEATS CHARGES US NONRESPONSE TO
HIS EMERGENCY GRAIN REQUEST.

BEGIN TEXT GUIDANCE: IN MID-JULY MR. WILLIAMS, THE PRESI-
DENT'S SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE FOR EMERGENCY RELIEF TO SUB-
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SAHARA AFRICA ANNOUNCED AN ADDITIONAL 100,000 MT OF GRAIN

WAS AVAILABLE TO MEET IMMEDIATE, PRE-HARVEST NEEDS IN THE DROUGHT REGION OF WEST AFRICA. AT THAT TIME ALL OUTSTANDING REQUESTS FOR ADDITIONAL GRAIN IN THE REGION WERE CONSIDERED. WHERE NECESSARY, FURTHER INFORMATION WAS REQUESTED. FINAL ALLOCATION, AFTER RECEIPT OF ALL INFORMATION, WAS MADE IN EARLY AUGUST AND THE COUNTRIES SUBSEQUENTLY NOTIFIED OF THE NEW GRAIN.

IN THE CASE OF NIGER, THE INITIAL REQUEST WAS RECEIVED JUNE 23, AND AN INTERIM REPLY FROM THE US AMBASSADOR REQUESTING ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON DISTRIBUTION AND TIMING MADE WITHIN THE WEEK.

FURTHER ORAL AND WRITTEN EXCHANGES ON THE ADDITIONAL GRAIN TOOK PLACE WITH VARIOUS GON AND USG OVER THE NEXT WEEKS. EARLY IN AUGUST THE IMMEDIATE ALLOCATION OF 15,000 MT PL-480 SORGHUM WAS APPROVED, WITH ADDITIONAL SHIPMENTS TO BE DETERMINED SUBJECT TO FURTHER ANALYSIS OF GON REQUEST FOR GRAIN DURING PERIOD 30 SEPTEMBER - NOVEMBER 15.

FYI - IN VIEW OF THE FOREGOING, DO NOT BELIEVE USG

"APOLOGY" IS APPROPRIATE. END TEXT. ROGERS

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